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DECLARATION OF CARLOS WONG-RAMIREZ

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Sir:

I, Carlos Wong-Ramírez, hereby declare that:

1. I am a joint-inventor of the above-identified application.
2. I am a co-author of the following paper, which has been cited in the above-identified application:

Aguilar, L., et al., J. Biol. Chem. 274:25193-25196 (1999)

3. I, Carlos Wong-Ramírez am the same person as Carlos Wong, named as an author in Aguilar, L., et al.

4. I believe that I, along with María Isabel Baeza-Ramírez, José Leopoldo Aguilar-Faisal, Miguel Angel Ibáñez-Hernández and Mónica Lara-Uc, are the original, first and joint inventors

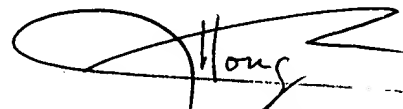
of the subject matter described and claimed in the above-identified application, and of the subject matter disclosed in the paper identified in paragraph 2 above.

5. It is customary practice to include as authors on papers individuals who have been involved with the reported project in some manner. However, if such individuals are not involved in conception of the subject matter of the claims of a patent application, they are not inventors of the invention claimed in the patent application.

6. Although Guadalupe Ortega-Pierres, Begoña Campos, Rocio Fonseca, Norberto Farfán, Jorge M. Naciff, Marcia A. Kaetzel and John R. Dedman were named as authors in Aguilar, L., et al., they were not involved in conception of the subject matter of any of the claims of the above identified application, and are not joint inventors.

7. I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Dated: May 2, 2002



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